

future generations and students at Marshall have the opportunity to learn about the legacy of this remarkable historical icon. Dr. Woodson's legacy and his work to ensure that African-American history is preserved and recognized in our community will continue to inspire the students of Marshall University for many years to come.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. VICENTE GONZALEZ

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 6, 2018

Mr. GONZALEZ of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I was unable to cast my vote for Roll Call votes 51 and 52 on February 5, 2018. Had I been present, my votes would have been the following: Nay on 52, and Aye on Roll Call vote 51.

HONORING THE GRADUATING SENIORS ON THE BUFFALO STATE WOMEN'S BASKETBALL TEAM

HON. BRIAN HIGGINS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 6, 2018

Mr. HIGGINS of New York. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize two exceptional members of the senior class at Buffalo State College, Mariah Rosario and Caleh McLean. As members of the Buffalo State women's basketball team, these students are known as gifted athletes and scholars. I commend these young women for their academic and athletic dedication and congratulate them on the completion of their college careers.

Mariah Rosario played for Buffalo State as a forward and majored in Criminal Justice. Mariah comes from Flushing, New York where she attended Robert F. Kennedy High School.

Caleh McLean comes to Buffalo State from her hometown of New Rochelle, New York. A graduate of New Rochelle High School, Caleh played guard for the Buffalo State Bengals. She will be earning her degree in Economics and Finance.

Handling the responsibilities of being a student athlete is an incredible challenge, and both of these students handled this challenge exceptionally. As an alumnus of Buffalo State, I will be proud to call them fellow alumni.

Mr. Speaker, I thank you for allowing my colleagues to join me in recognizing these extraordinary Buffalo State Bengals and in congratulating them as they obtain their undergraduate degrees. Their dedication and drive will propel them to success, and I wish them all the best in their future endeavors.

IN MEMORY OF BRIGADIER GENERAL VERNON RODNEY TATE, SR.

HON. JOE WILSON

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 6, 2018

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Mr. Speaker, on February 3, 2018, a memorial service

was conducted at the Evangelical Presbyterian Church of Annapolis, Maryland, to honor the life of Brigadier General Vernon Rodney Tate, Sr.

I include in the RECORD the following obituary published in The Post and Courier on February 1, 2018:

Brigadier General Vernon Rodney "Rod" Tate, Sr. passed away peacefully on January 28, 2018, in his home on Daniel Island, South Carolina, with his beloved wife, Lynn, his children and two faithful rescue cats, Frankie and Cooper, by his side. He celebrated his 80th birthday this past November with family. Rod was born on November 18, 1937, in Washington, D.C. to Dr. Vernon Dale Tate and Katherine Ann (Moore) Tate, and lived his childhood years in Hingham, Massachusetts. Rod earned his Eagle Scout rank as member of Troop 25 in Hingham, Massachusetts. He moved to Annapolis with his family in 1954 when his father began serving as Director of Libraries at the U.S. Naval Academy. Rod graduated from Cushing Academy, Ashburnham, Massachusetts, in 1957. He received a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration from the University of Maryland in 1961, where he was a member of the Phi Delta Theta Fraternity and the University of Maryland Swim Team. He later received a Masters of Business Administration at George Washington University with a focus on International Marketing in 1967. Rod began his career working at Xerox Corporation. He later founded Nationwide Fulfillment Systems located in Ridgely, Maryland, serving Fortune 500 companies. During this time, he served in the U.S. Air Force and spent his last five years in service as a Brigadier General, USAF, working in the Office of Special Investigations (AFOSI), which included duties at the Pentagon, Office of Secretary of the Air Force. He was also a Mobilization Assistant to the Inspector General (SAFIG). Upon retirement from the Air Force, Brigadier General Tate received the Distinguished Service Medal.

Rod and his late wife, Missy, founded Weems Creek Nursery School and Kindergarten, Annapolis, MD in 1972, which, 46 years later continues making a difference in children's lives. They also established Super Skate roller rink together in 1979. During retirement, Rod and his son, Vernon (Skip) Rodney Tate, Jr. founded Recreation World RV Center, Annapolis, MD. Over his lifetime, Rod was involved in many philanthropic causes, serving in various capacities including Anne Arundel Medical Center, the Evangelical Presbyterian Church of Annapolis, the Annapolis Area Christian School, the Summit School, Cushing Academy, Fellowship of Christian Athletes and other organizations. Rod was a member of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church of Annapolis, the Annapolis Yacht Club (AYC), the Rehoboth Beach Country Club, U.S. Naval Academy Golf Club, and the New Providence Club in Annapolis. Most recently, he has cherished his time attending East Cooper Baptist Church, Mount Pleasant, SC and hosting weekly Bible studies with his wife. He was an active member at the Daniel Island Club. Rod lived a full life and enjoyed sailing and Wednesday Night Races at AYC, traveling, golf, restoring historic homes, was an automobile enthusiast, and most of all, cherished spending time with his family.

Rod is survived by his wife, Lynn of 10 years; his sons, Vernon Rodney (Skip) Tate, Jr., (Katharine), William Paul Tate; his daughters, Hilda Margaret (Maggie) Tate Riith (Michael), all from Annapolis and Elizabeth Downing Jowett, (Marshall) of Yale,

Michigan, from his 43 year marriage with the late Missy Tate; ten grandchildren; and a sister, Charlotte Tate Bendell (Alfred) of Hagerstown, MD. Visitation will be held on Friday, February 2, 2018, from 5:00pm-8:00pm at the John M. Taylor Funeral Home, 147 Duke of Gloucester Street, Annapolis, MD. The service will be held on Saturday, February 3, 2018 at 2:00pm at the Evangelical Presbyterian Church of Annapolis, 710 Ridgely Avenue, Annapolis, MD. Interment will follow at the St. Margaret's Episcopal Church Cemetery, 1601 Pleasant Plains Road, Annapolis, MD.

Those wishing to do so may make donations to one of the philanthropies mentioned above, Respite Care Charleston, Dementia & Alzheimer's Support, the Charleston Animal Society or the Senior Dog Sanctuary of Maryland. Condolences may be sent to the family at www.johnmtaylorfuneralhome.com.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. STEVE COHEN

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 6, 2018

Mr. COHEN. Mr. Speaker, due to a flight delay on February 5, 2018, I was unable to vote on Roll Call numbers 51 and 52. If present, I would have voted yes on H.R. 4547, and would have voted no on approving the journal.

INTRODUCTION OF THE KEEPING SALVADORAN FAMILIES TOGETHER ACT

HON. ELEANOR HOLMES NORTON

OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 6, 2018

Ms. NORTON. Mr. Speaker, today, I introduce a bill to provide Salvadorans who have Temporary Protected Status (TPS) lawful permanent resident status and a pathway to citizenship after five years.

Of the 200,000 Salvadorans living in the U.S. with TPS, nearly 30,000 live in the Washington, D.C. metro region, the largest concentration in the nation. This bill would change the status of Salvadoran TPS holders to lawful permanent residents and allow them to apply for naturalization after five years. Deporting Salvadoran TPS holders raises unique issues because of the great number of years they have spent in the U.S. and the large number of their children who were born in this country and are American citizens. The Trump Administration's callous and unnecessary decision to end TPS for Salvadorans requires immediate pushback. I am also pleased to be a cosponsor of the American Promise Act (H.R. 4253), which would protect from deportation all individuals currently receiving TPS or Deferred Enforced Departure.

My bill would begin the effort to protect from deportation Salvadorans who have lived here for nearly two decades and have made long-term contributions to our region and to the nation. I urge its adoption.

INTRODUCTION OF NAMING THE
POST OFFICE ON NORTH TUSTIN
STREET IN ORANGE, CALIFORNIA
THE SPECIALIST TREVOR A.
WIN'E POST OFFICE

HON. J. LUIS CORREA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 6, 2018

Mr. CORREA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor and memory of Army Specialist Trevor Anthony Win'E from my district in the city of Orange, California.

Specialist Win'E was a young man of strong convictions. A few months after 9/11, he joined the Army on May 1, 2002, to serve his country. After Basic Training at Fort Benning, Georgia, he arrived at Fort Lee, Virginia for the petroleum supply specialist course. Upon his graduation from that course in October 2002, Specialist Win'E was then assigned to the 24th Quartermaster Supply Company at Fort Lewis, Washington. In November 2003, the Company, was scheduled to deploy to Iraq. At the same time, Specialist Win'E was on orders to move to South Korea but approached his commander and he asked to deploy and serve alongside his fellow soldiers in the unit. He was granted that request to continue with his unit to Iraq.

Sadly, while serving in Tikrit, his convoy was attacked by improvised explosive devices. Specialist Win'E was in the lead truck. Tragically, the following day, May 1, 2004, Specialist Win'E died from injuries sustained during that attack. He was only 22 years old.

Therefore, to honor his service to our nation, I am introducing legislation—with the support of the entire California delegation—to name the facility of the United States Postal Service located on North Tustin Street in Orange, California as the Specialist Trevor A. Win'E Post Office.

Mr. Speaker, I hope my colleagues will join me in honoring the memory of Specialist Trevor A. Win'E by supporting my legislation to name a Post Office facility in his hometown after the young man so that his service and sacrifice may be remembered.

HONORING PRINCE HALL
UNIVERSAL LODGE NO. 1

HON. DONALD S. BEYER, JR.

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 6, 2018

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the 173 years of service of the Prince Hall Universal Lodge No. 1 of Alexandria, Virginia.

The Prince Hall Free Masonry began in Alexandria in 1845. Over the past 173 years, Universal Lodge No. 1 has worked on significant issues such as slavery, education and schools, church buildings, and the general welfare of African Americans. I greatly commend their many years of service to the Alexandria community.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. DIANE BLACK

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 6, 2018

Mrs. BLACK. Mr. Speaker, on Roll Call No. 51 for final passage of H.R. 4547, which took place Monday, February 5, 2018, I am not recorded because I was unavoidably detained. As a cosponsor of this bill, I would have voted Aye had I been present.

CONGRATULATING DR. ROGER
MCFARLIN

HON. RODNEY DAVIS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 6, 2018

Mr. RODNEY DAVIS of Illinois. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Dr. Roger McFarlin, who retired at the end of last year after forty-five years of service as a family physician in my district.

Dr. McFarlin grew up in Hillsboro, Illinois, where he graduated high school in 1962. After finishing medical school in Louisville, Kentucky, Dr. McFarlin practiced in both Colorado and Montana before moving back to Hillsboro to be close to home.

Since then, Dr. McFarlin has taken care of hundreds of patients in the area, who, according to his wife, are not just their patients, but family and friends. For nearly fifty years, he's made house calls and hospital visits, and has become a familiar name to most in Montgomery County.

Dr. McFarlin has been an important voice in the healthcare community for over forty-five years. He previously sat on the board of directors for Hillsboro Area Hospital and was the medical director for the Montgomery Nursing and Rehabilitation Center. He also served on the board for the Montgomery County Health Department and is a longtime member of the American Academy of Family Physicians.

He has been awarded the Hillsboro Education Foundation's Distinguished Alumni Award in 2005 and also received the Rural Physician of Excellence Award from the Illinois Rural Health Association; true testaments to Dr. McFarlin's dedication to his patients and his commitment to providing excellent healthcare to families.

Dr. McFarlin plans to enjoy his retirement with his wife, Doris, on their farm. I'm thankful for Dr. McFarlin's many years of service to patients in Central Illinois. I wish him and his family the best as they start this new chapter.

IN RECOGNITION OF CHIEF
ROBERT YOUNGDEER

HON. MARK MEADOWS

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 6, 2018

Mr. MEADOWS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Chief Robert Youngdeer of the Qualla Boundary in Swain County, North Carolina. On behalf of the people of Western North Carolina, I would like to thank Chief

Youngdeer for his decades of service to the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians and the United States of America.

Chief Youngdeer was born in Ravensford, NC near the town of Cherokee, NC in Western North Carolina. After graduating from High School, he joined the United States Marine Corps and served in the Marines for eight years. Chief Youngdeer served in World War II and had been in the service for two years when he was wounded during the battle of Guadalcanal and was awarded with a Purple Heart. After serving with the Marines for eight years, he then joined the Army Paratroopers and retired after twenty years of military service to our nation.

After leaving the military, Chief Youngdeer served in numerous law enforcement positions in the Bureau of Indian Affairs Agencies, working with tribes in Alaska, Arizona, North Dakota, Mississippi and South Dakota. Chief Youngdeer returned to Cherokee, North Carolina and served as the Chief of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians from 1983 to 1987. Since his time as Chief of the Eastern Band, Chief Youngdeer has been bestowed the title of "Honored Man" by the Tribal Council of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians and has been honored by the Four Chaplains Memorial Foundation. Chief Youngdeer married Geneva Alene Stafford Youngdeer on Nov. 6, 1943, and together they have two children, Merritt and Judy.

Chief Youngdeer is revered by many for his lifetime of service to the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, and to the United States of America. As a serviceman and as Chief, he has always put the needs of others ahead of himself. Western North Carolina has been blessed to have such an extraordinary leader in our community. For his faithful service to the people of Western North Carolina, I express to Chief Youngdeer the gratitude and best wishes of the people of North Carolina.

HONORING VICTORIA GONZALEZ
FOR RECEIVING THE GIRL
SCOUT GOLD AWARD

HON. FILEMON VELA

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 6, 2018

Mr. VELA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to salute Victoria Gonzalez, a young woman who has been honored with the Girl Scouts of the USA Gold Award—the highest achievement a Girl Scout can earn. The Girl Scout Gold Award symbolizes outstanding accomplishments in the areas of leadership, community service, career planning, and personal development.

Girl Scouts of the USA, an organization serving over 2.6 million girls, has issued more than 20,000 Gold Awards to Senior Girl Scouts since the inception of the program in 1980. To receive the award, a Girl Scout must earn four interest project patches, the Career Exploration Pin, the Senior Girl Scout Leadership Award, and the Senior Girl Scout Challenge. She must also design and implement a Gold project.

Victoria's project was based on a need she observed firsthand. While volunteering at a Christmas party for the Ozanam Homeless Shelter in Brownsville, Texas, Victoria realized